

# VolunteerBloomington!

**QUOTE OF THE WEEK:** "We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children." ~Native American Proverb

April 24, 2013

## **Host Collection Drive for Stepping Stones**

As the young adult residents of Stepping Stones transition into the community, donations of standard household supplies and furniture are very helpful to get them started. Hosting a collection drive or collecting donations yourself is a great way to support these young people, who have worked so hard through the Stepping Stones program, to be able to transition successfully into adulthood. Please contact Alysia Fornal at <a href="mailto:afornal@steppingstones-inc.org">afornal@steppingstones-inc.org</a> or (812) 339-9771. View the Wish List online at <a href="www.steppingstones-inc.org">www.steppingstones-inc.org</a>/support/wishlist.html.

#### **Board Members for Abilities Unlimited**

Abilities Unlimited Disabilities Services is seeking volunteers interested in serving on its Board of Directors. For 58 years, this organization has addressed disability issues, including those faced by the elderly. The board meets at 5:30 p.m. on the last Tues. of each month. Prospective board members are asked to first visit their website to learn about projects, programs and mission. The client comments section will give you an excellent idea of how important your service will be! Minimum age is 19. Please contact Lynne Argent at (812) 332-1620 or au@auids.org. (www.auids.org)

## **Secretary - Commission on Aging**

The City of Bloomington Commission on Aging is seeking a volunteer to record minutes at monthly commission meetings. This dynamic group meets on the second Tues. of each month from 4:30-6 p.m. Meetings are open to the public. Initiatives for seniors are discussed including creative aging, transportation, senior health care and more. A volunteer with a laptop is preferred but not

required. Must be 21 years or older and committed to attending monthly meetings. Please contact Sue Owens at (812) 349-3468 or owenss@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/coa)

# Bryan Park Creek Maintenance Days – May 1, June 5

The Bryan Park creek naturalized area played a key role in the Community Wildlife Habitat certification which the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department earned from the National Wildlife Federation. Volunteers assist with monthly upkeep of this important area by maintaining the native plants along the creek, cutting back overgrown brush, removing invasive plants and collecting native plant seeds. You can sign up individually or as a group; training will be provided during your shift. Volunteers are needed from 5:30-7 p.m. on May 1 and June 5. Minimum age is 12. Please contact Kim Ecenbarger at (812) 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

#### **Advanced Secretarial Support at Kinsey Institute**

The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction seeks volunteers to provide advanced secretarial support to the Director and other faculty and staff. Duties include greeting and screening guests; responding to phone inquiries; collecting funds from gift shop sales, and arranging tours. Excellent customer relations skills, as well as computer and organizational skills are necessary. Volunteers must be friendly, professional, able to maintain confidentiality, and comfortable working with the subject of sexuality, gender and reproduction. Volunteers are asked to provide a minimum of one four-hour shift per week, either 8 a.m. to noon or 1 to 5 p.m., Mon. through Fri. Minimum age is 20. If interested, please submit a resume, letter of interest and contact information for three references to: ATTN: Front Desk Volunteer, Morrison Hall 313, 1165 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Bloomington IN 47405. Questions? Please contact Pat Lacy at (812) 855-7686 or patlacy@indiana.edu. (kinseyinstitute.org)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

# **Community Wish List Spotlight**

# **Boys and Girls Clubs of Bloomington**

Enables all young people, especially those who need them most, to become caring, productive, responsible citizens. To grant a wish, contact Kelsey Whelan at kwhelan@bgcbloomington.org or (812)332-5311.

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Wishes: children's canoe paddles, 18-gallon storage containers, ping-pong and Foosball equipment, white tinkle lights, business card lamination sheets, microwave, brooms, dustpans, power drill, art and school supplies, board games, poker chips, bulk food

Use the <u>Community Wish List</u> to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

